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Your Reference: 10/731,741  
Our Reference: 2223-171

## Mail Stop RCE

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**Re: United States Patent Application No. 10/731,741**  
**Filed: December 10, 2003**  
**Entitled: Cell Preparations Comprising Cells of the T Cell Lineage and Methods of Making and Using Them**  
**Inventors: Thomas M. Schmitt and Juan Carlos Zuniga-Pflucker**

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This is further to the Advisory Action dated November 21, 2006.

We are filing herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-referenced patent application under 37 CFR 1.114. As the submission filed on October 30, 2006 was not entered we request that the amendment and arguments are considered in the RCE.

In the attached Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136a we are requesting a one-month extension of time. We hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2095 in the amount of \$455.00 in respect of (1) the RCE fee of \$395 (small entity) and (2) the one-month Extension of Time fee of \$60.00 (small entity).

If any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge these fees (including any claim fees) which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 02-2095.

Yours truly,



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# Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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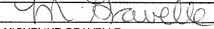
Application Number	10/731,741
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First Named Inventor	Thomas M. Schmitt
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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  - ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
    - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
    - ☒ Other Consider Response & Amendment filed October 30, 2006
  - ☐ Enclosed
    - ☐ Amendment/Reply
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    - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Miscellaneous**
  - ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)
  - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
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    - ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)
    - ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.138 and 1.17)
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